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Environmental Resources Branch

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The draft Supplemental Plan Formulation Report/Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (SEIS/EIR) for the American River Watershed, California, Long-Term Study is now available for public review.

This study is a cooperative effort among Federal, State, and local agencies to increase the level of flood protection to the city of Sacramento and surrounding area. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is the Federal project sponsor. The State Reclamation Board and the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency are the non-Federal sponsors. This report is an integrated feasibility report and SEIS/EIR, complying with the Corps' policies and regulations, the National Environmental Policy Act, and the California Environmental Quality Act, and is intended to reduce duplication and paperwork.

This report describes, analyzes, and reports on effects of flood damage reduction and ecosystem restoration alternatives on the American River in Sacramento. This report supplements two previous reports completed in 1991 and 1996. As specified by Congress, additional flood control plan formulation for this study is limited to measures derived from two basic alternatives: levee improvements to increase flood carrying capacity and enlargement of Folsom Dam. Eight flood damage reduction alternatives are evaluated in the Long-Term Study. One is no action; three are different sized Folsom enlargement alternatives; three are different downstream levee configurations; and one is a combination plan. In addition, five ecosystem restoration alternatives are addressed. Four are located along the lower American River, and the fifth consists of improvements to the existing temperature control shutters at Folsom Dam.

The public review period for this report will end on October 29, 2001. Comments received on the draft report will be reviewed and incorporated into the final document, as appropriate. The report is available for review at the following locations and may also be accessed through the Corps' web site at <http://www.spk.usace.army.mil/cespk-pd/americanriver/>.

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1325 J Street, Room 1320, Sacramento, California
- Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, 1007 Seventh Street, Seventh Floor, Sacramento, California
- Sacramento City Library, Main Library, 828 I Street, Sacramento, California
- Folsom Public Library, 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, California
- Woodland Public Library, 250 First Street, Woodland, California

In addition, three public workshops on the Long-Term Study will be held at the dates and locations listed below. Comments on the study may be provided at these workshops.

October 9, 2001 - Lake Natoma Inn, 702 Gold Lake Drive, Folsom, CA
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

October 10, 2001 - Hattie Weber Museum, 445 C Street, Davis, CA
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

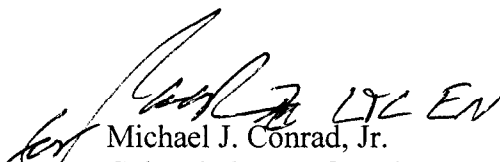
October 11, 2001 - Capitol Plaza Halls, The Encampment Room, 1025 9th Street, 4th floor, Sacramento, CA
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

If you would like a copy of the draft document, please contact Ms. Cheryl Chew at (916) 557-7532. Review copies will be provided on a compact disk unless you specifically request a paper copy. If you have any questions about the study, please contact Ms. Veronica Petrovsky, Environmental Planner, at (916) 557-7245.

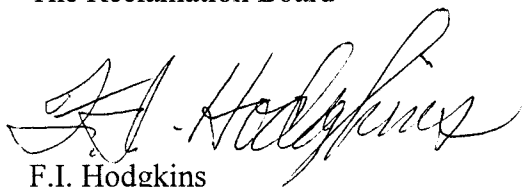
Sincerely,



Peter D. Rabbon
General Manager
The Reclamation Board



Michael J. Conrad, Jr.
Colonel, Corps of Engineers
District Engineer



F.I. Hodgkins
Executive Director
Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency

American River Long-Term Study Public Comments

If you are unable to attend either of the workshops, please send us your written comments. Please fax your comments to Veronica Petrovsky at (916) 557-7465.

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Comments: _____

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